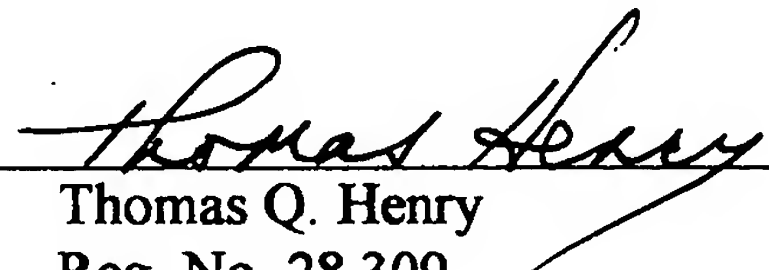


separating the first and second mold portions, which makes it possible to lift the container up from the second and third mold portions. This is described in the claim particularly in paragraphs (f) and (g). The cited art does not show a mold that can be separated in this fashion to remove the container, but instead (as in Edwards) would have to simply force the outwardly-bulging container through a smaller mold opening.

Further consideration of this case is appreciated, and the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone in order to resolve any remaining issues.

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